

News Release
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RE: Recovery of apparent homicide victims in Atchison County, Kansas

The KBI participated today in the recovery of two bodies in rural Atchison County, Kansas. The deceased were identified as Angela Hyke, age 25, and her 8 year old daughter, Ashley Lucas of Cresco, Iowa. Iowa authorities announced the filing of a criminal complaint in Howard County, Iowa, charging Clay Irwin Thomas, DOB 12-14-76 of Atchison, Kansas, with two counts of first degree murder. Thomas is currently incarcerated in Sedgwick County, Kansas on a parole violation warrant. The KBI, Iowa Department of Criminal Investigation and the Atchison County Sheriff's Office are continuing the investigation.